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## POLICE INVESTIGATE OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING AT A NIGHTCLUB

Officers were working special duty at 1536 North Cassady Avenue when an altercation between patrons started outside the bar and officers attempted to break up the fight. During the event, a suspect retrieved a firearm from a vehicle and discharged rounds. One officer returned fire at the suspect and the suspect fled on foot. A possible suspect was detained by responding patrol officers. No injuries were reported at the scene out of the incident. The Critical Incident Response Team is investigating and it is on-going.

• The officer involved in the shooting is Officer James Ridley #2842. Officer Ridley is a 6 year veteran and is assigned to the Patrol Subdivision.